

WHAT MANAGERS PROMISE

The Theaters Will Have Attractions This Week to Suit All Amusement-Seekers.

Dramatic Presentation of "Faust," to Be Followed by Society Comedy—Burlesque at English's, and Melodrama at the Park.

Mr. Lewis Morrison, one of the best legitimate actors on the American stage, will present at the Grand Opera-house to-morrow night and the forepart of the week his spectacular dramatic version of Goethe's "Faust," which, in its brilliant staging, is said to equal the presentation of this drama given by Mr. Henry Irving during his last visit to this country. Mr. Morrison, from all accounts, departs from the typical intellectual devil of the opera and leans to the physical or material side of the character, making of him a human-looking and acting part. In the staging there are seven full sets reproducing the town of Nuremberg, and later the Square of the Fountains and Shrine of the Virgin in the old town, a pretty garden scene and the summit of the Brocken mountain. Realism is given to the encounter of Valentine with Faust and the devil by the electric sparks that dance upon the swords' blades, and by the electric cross in the first act, and by the electric spark with which Mephistopheles summons his evil spirits while on the heights. During this scene Mephistopheles, Mephistopheles, and Mephistopheles stands upon an elevated point in his red suit, while the revel below him goes on amidst sulphurous steam issuing from far below. Mr. Morrison plays Mephistopheles, and his impersonation of it has been most highly praised by the critics. His daughter Rosabel, who inherits her father's ability, plays Marguerite, and the cast otherwise is a capable one. Two carloads of special scenery are employed in the production, a feature of which is the electrical effects, such as have never been seen on a stage here.

Following the "Faust" engagement at the Grand, Miss Minnie Madden, a favorite actress here, as elsewhere, will fill out the week in Howard Taylor's bright comedy, "Caprice," in which she has been formerly remembered, and "In Spite of All," a version of Sardou's famous "Princess Andrea." These plays afford a wide range for her versatility, and show her to her best advantage. Both have been seen here, and both are well liked. Miss Madden is probably the most interesting young actress now on the American stage. She has been intelligence, a style, so far as it has been formulated, wholly her own, and unlike that of any other player, and entirely free from conventionality, and a most charming personality, which attracts the sympathy and admiration of all classes of theatergoers. Her success in the plays she has devoted her time to in the past has not been due to managerial sagacity and clap-trap, as in the case of so many other young women who figure in the rural districts as stars; her original talent was recognized from the first. Her supporting company is said to be the most capable one she has yet had. Seats will be on sale for her engagement Tuesday morning at the box office, "Caprice" will be given on Wednesday and Friday evenings, and "In Spite of All" Saturday matinee and evening.

Mr. M. B. Leavitt's Rentz-Santely Novelty and Burlesque Company will give an entertainment at English's next Friday night, one performance only. This organization is said to have a brighter and better entertainment than ever before, and is claimed for it that it is by far the best of its class traveling. It is sustained in this by a number of attractive features to lovers of vaudeville, and especially clever people. Among them are the Parisian dancers, Mlle. Doris, and Mlle. Doris, formerly of the Arabian Nights Company; Miss Ida Sidons, Miss Pauline Batchelor, Lillian Markham, Andy and Annie Hughes, sketch people; John B. Wills and Amy Adams, Sanford and Wilson, old-time favorites; Billy Barker and others. A feature of the performance is the burlesque "Konrad the Korsair, or the Pasha."

The Park Theatre will return to sensational comedy this week, the attraction there being the Gray & Stephens combination, which, experience in previous seasons has established, is about the most popular company that plays at this house. The plays to be presented are Lawrence Marston's "Old Oaken Bucket," which is comparatively new here, and which will be the opening bill to-morrow, continuing until Friday, when it will be succeeded by "Without a Home." Miss Minnie Oscar Gray is a very successful impersonator of boy characters, and appears as the star in both plays, with a good support. Features of the performances will be the work of Mr. Stephens' wonderful acting dogs, ten in number, who rescue the heroine, punish the villains, and take a very realistic part generally. They are the most sagacious and best trained dogs on the stage. A large business may be expected at the Park all week, for the attraction is a very strong one.

The Eden Musee continues to have its share of the public patronage. There will be a number of novel features there this week. Principal among these is Miss Lizzie Sturgeon, the "pedestrian pianist," as she is called, a young woman, who has not the use of her hands, and uses her feet instead, sewing, crocheting, embroidering, playing the piano and doing other things with them. In addition to her there will be the Lucassie family of Madagascar musicians, Mlle. Claire, the moss-haired lady, the Brazilian Marionettes and others. The Musee is open daily from noon to 11 p. m. and the admission is but 10 cents.

Gossip of the Stage.

Tony Hart, still in Worcester, Mass., but is unable to see visitors.

Annie Pixley's new play, by George Jessop is named "22 Second Floor."

Lillian Russell is to have \$500 a week when her engagement at the Casino begins.

Miss Minnie Madden is now writing regularly for an Eastern literary magazine, and her articles are widely copied.

The Haverly-Cleveland minstrels have twelve Japanese acrobats, including four "kids," who do a wonderful act, with them.

Emma Abbott is introducing "Home, Sweet Home" and the "Swan Lake" into the "Yeoman of the Guard," with immense effect.

Professor Miller and the Grand orchestra are making a hit with their nondescript piece, "A Trip to Coney Island," which is encored nightly.

Gilbert & Sullivan's new opera, "The Yeoman of the Guard," has been secured for the Grand the latter part of next week, when it will be given an elaborate presentation by the New York Casino Company, with the original scenery and effects.

Mr. Lewis Morrison, who plays Mephistopheles in "Faust" at the Grand to-morrow night, last appeared here as Iago with Salvini as Othello, and, previous to that, in that beautiful play, "Legion of Honor." He is one of the most finished actors on the stage.

Charles Wyndham, through his agent, Mr. Moore, is booking his proposed tour of this country for next season, which will cover thirty weeks, and will probably begin at the Globe Theatre, Boston. It is expected that "David Garrick" will be the only play presented.

The final retirement of Sims Reeves is at last at hand. He will make a farewell tour of England, next season, beginning in March and ending at Newcastle in December, on the fiftieth anniversary of the date of his operatic debut as Gypsy John in "Guy Raverling," which was his first success.

Nine fully equipped English dramatic companies will appear in America next season. They are Henry Irving, Mary Anderson, George Hawthorne, Mr. and Mrs. Kendal, the London Gaiety Burlesque Company, Charles Wyndham, Wilson Barrett, Desmond Teale and Mrs. Bernard Beere.

The latest craze among the actresses is the hand-and-arm photograph. They spend so much of money posing their hands and arms in pictures taken of them. Almost always they hold something in the hand that is to be pictured—a wine-glass, a diamond ring just touched by a dainty finger, a visiting-card, or a silver coin. Those who are proud of their arms have them photo-

graphed, often the full bare arm and shoulder, without a hint of clothing—or just the hint of a short lace sleeve with a buxom arm issuing from it. Some non-professionaries are beginning to show the craze.

The latest and decidedly the greatest of all the farce comedy successes, "A Brass Monkey," which closed a four months' run at the Bijou Opera-house, New York, last night, will be seen at the Grand next week, with the original cast, which includes Charles Reed and Flora Walsh (Mrs. Hoyt).

If Mrs. Langtry is to play Lady Macbeth, and the ushers of the Fifth-avenue Theater are to be Highland flirts, why not let Freddie Gebhard play the bagpipes between the acts? How much more attractive it would be if one of the ushers performed that thachach, thachach, thachach, as Mr. Langtry appeared in kilts—Eddy's Squib.

Low Morrison introduces a novel idea in his spectacular production of "Faust." During the garden scene Mr. Morrison, as Mephistopheles, makes flowers bloom where all was barren ground. With a wave of the hand he causes the flowers to open, disclosing miniature variegated incandescent electric lights. It is a most novel as well as beautiful effect.

Florence St. John is one of the English stars who will brave the American continent labor law, and come to this country next season. She was for many years an acknowledged leader of light opera in London, but it is likely that her matrimonial escapades will bring her quite as much fame as her voice. Mrs. Kendall, of London, and Mrs. Bernard Beere will also come over next season.

Fanny Davenport seems to be moving under a peculiarly lucky star this season. A short time ago she bought some land in the suburbs of Chicago, known as the Grant estate. It belonged to the late General Grant, and was purchased by Miss Davenport for \$18,000. Last week she received a letter from her attorney enclosing an offer of \$30,000 for the land. Miss Davenport will probably sell the property and invest the money in other real estate in Chicago.

Mary Anderson's sister is beginning to enjoy some of the reflex glory of the young tragedienne. The sister, who is even prettier than Mary herself, and is certainly younger and plumper. She is constantly to be seen about the theater, though her name is very unobtrusive and retiring. When she attends a performance of "A Winter's Tale" she is usually the most soberly and demurely dressed woman in the audience, not that there is any reason for so doing, for the wealth of Miss Anderson's family at this time is very great. They have been a most successful and modest sort of people, and the characteristic seems to strengthen as the family increases in prosperity.

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

Shakespeare or Edison.

His Choice—Proud father (showing off his boy before company)—My son, which would you rather be, Shakespeare or Edison? Little son (after meditation)—I'd rather be Edison.

"Yes, why?"

"Cause he ain't dead."

The Pitfall of Marketing.

The Epoch.

Young Housekeeper (to butcher)—You may send me some ducks, I think, to-day.

Butcher—Yes; canvas-back, I suppose.

Young Housekeeper (who knows nothing about ducks)—Well, yes;—no, I guess not; they might be tough. Send just plain ducks without the canvas-backs.

Under the Green.

Life.

Lord MacEnoch (who is taking in the sights of New York)—Haw! What's that green light down there, Mr. Forrester?

Forrester—Sign of a police station, me lord.

Well Equipped.

Time.

"Charles, what do you intend to do now?"

"Don't know, uncle."

"What have you been doing?"

"Studied theology five years at Wesley University."

"Then you should become a novelist, my boy."

What Did He Mean?

Puck.

"I hope, Mr. Templecourt," said the lady, as she rose from the chair which had vibrated with her voice for an hour and a half, "that I haven't been taking up too much of your valuable time."

"Not at all, Mrs. Chaffy," returned the lawyer, glancing wearily at the pile of letters on his desk; "I assure you that this time has been of no value to me whatever."

The Shortest Way.

Teacher—How is Pompeii pronounced?

First Boy—Pompey I.

Teacher—Next!

Second Boy—Pompey—al—ai.

Teacher—Next!

Third Boy—Pompey.

Teacher—Next!

Fourth Boy (with ineffable scorn)—I don't pronounce it. I just say "Herculaneum."

Popular Preaching.

Time.

First Preacher—How do you manage to succeed so well among the cowboys out yonder?

Second Preacher—There were six hundred present at my first sermon, and I said: "Gentlemen, I'm going to tell you about a few feet of high, white, downy, giant eleven feet high." Then I spoke of Goliath and David.

"Well?"

"When I finished they gave three cheers for David."

Surely Insane.

Harper's Weekly.

Judge—Well, Deacon, you are charged with stealing a hen from your neighbor, Mr. Jones. What is your defense?

Deacon—Wheatly—Insanity, Judge, insanity.

Judge—Insanity? Why, I never knew you were insane.

Deacon—Wheatly—I was insane last night, shuah, Judge; 'cause Mistal Jones sez dat big roostah was in de same coop, an' I nember took 'im.

A Slight Advance.

Puck.

"And so you think that you deserve an increase in your salary, Mr. Bookkeeper," said the Whittaker, as the clerk stood before him, pale with the thought of desperation.

"Yes, sir," he replied; "and I have waited until the new year before speaking."

"I am glad you did," returned the merchant; "for it gives me an opportunity to meet your wishes. I will pay you the same amount for 365 days' work this year as you got for 365 days in 1888. Good morning."

Pepi's Revenge.

Fliegende Blatter.

"Ma, may I speak?"

"You know that you are forbidden to talk at table, my dear."

"Can't I just say one thing?"

"No, my dear. When papa has finished his paper, then you may talk."

Papa lays down his paper after breakfast and asks: "Well, Pepi, what did you want to say?"

The Devil Scared by a Saint.

From Keating's History of Ireland.

The Chronicle relates that when St. Columba was in Ireland there lived a pagan priest in the county of Tyrconnell who erected a temple of great beauty and magnificence in those times, and among other curiosities of art and workmanship he made an altar of fine glass, which he superstitiously adorned with representations of the sun and moon. It happened one day that the wind was seized with a distemper which took away his senses, and he was without motion, as if he had been in

a swoon. The devil, who, it seems, had a particular resentment against the man, took advantage of the opportunity, and, seizing him with his talons, was hurrying him off to his lair, when the saint, looking up, perceived the fiend on the wing, directly over him, and he made the sign of the cross in the air above his head, which so astonished the devil that he let go his hold and dropped the priest, who providentially fell at St. Columba's feet. This deliverance was so gratefully received by the priest that, after a short discourse, he became a convert to Christianity, and when he had dedicated his temple to the Christian service he bestowed it upon St. Columba, and entered into a religious order, where he led a monastic life, and became an eminent professor of the faith.

CHOICE CABINET WOODS.

French Walnut Comes from Asia—Ebony, Rosewood and Mahogany.

Philadelphia Inquirer.

"French walnut is the costliest of all cabinet woods," said a dealer to a reporter yesterday. "It does not come from France at all," he continued, "but grows in Persia, China and Asia Minor. To work these woods into veneers we first steam them until they are almost as soft as butter, then we fasten them to an iron beam, which revolves at a high rate of speed, and with a razor-like edge, of the same length as the log. Every time this beam turns round it moves a fraction of an inch nearer to the knife, and a thin sheet of wood is shaved off smoothly and laid on a pile on the floor. These sheets are 1-120 of an inch in thickness, but frequently we shave off veneers as thin as 1-125 to the inch. The veneers used on furniture are somewhat thicker, the thinner ones being used on picture frames. They are backed up with paper before being glued on. The latter are also used to some extent for covering walls."

What is the value of the French walnut? "I have known it to sell as high as \$2 a pound. At the Paris exposition one 'burl' was sold at \$5,000, and its weight did not exceed 230 pounds. A full-grown tree is a large tough knot or excrescence that grows upon the trunk of a tree. The French walnut is a small tree, crooked and dwarfed in its growth. Its wood is extremely hard, and is very curious tough and contorted humps that grow upon it."

How do other woods compare in value with the French walnut? "Next to it ebony is probably the most valuable. Some ebony sells for \$200 a ton. Size is the feature that counts in this wood. Rosewood and mahogany are always in demand. The best mahogany comes from San Domingo. Next in value are the mahoganies of Cuba, Honduras, Mexico and Africa. Fair-quality rosewood will sell in the log for from 5 to 8 cents a pound. French walnut can occasionally be bought for as low as 2 cents a pound, but the finer burls readily bring hundreds of dollars. Great care, however, must be exercised in buying these burls, as their value is often lessened by the existence of hollows right in the heart of the wood, the result of decay or malformation. Sometimes these hollows are filled by fraudulent dealers with foreign substances. Mahogany, pressed to a requisite degree of hardness, is much used for this purpose."

HE MADE THEM WEARY.

One of the Features of Church Life in a Little Canadian Town.

Buffalo Courier.

A little Canadian town many miles from Buffalo is populated chiefly by Highland Scotch. They have two churches, or kirks, one of which is new, and was built to take the place of the other, but such is the veneration of the worshippers in the old church that once a month they repair to the old building and hold religious services.

"As the town is so far from Buffalo, the 'Arounder' feels that it was not a very laudable confidence in relating an incident in the clerical disposition of the pastor, Watson by name. It was a hot Sunday in June, and the congregation was not very large. An hour by the sand-glass was nearly through, thank Providence. At last the final words had been spoken, and, though the congregation was not very large, the duty would not admit of yet nearly all breathed not one, but many sighs of relief. The pastor arose and announced that the congregation would sing the twenty-fifth and thirty-sixth psalm. The choir rose and the little cabinet organ pealed forth as well as its shabby condition would permit. Suddenly the pastor arose and stretched forth his hand.

"Excuse me, excuse me," he said, deprecatingly. "I have something more to say." The choir stopped, and the congregation, and the congregation, did likewise, and for half an hour the good old man edified his hearers with beatific visions of the life to come.

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Age.

Earth's fleeting beauty never grows with age, But, like a flower, bursts from out its case, Lingers a glorious moment, fades and dies, But with the soul, its works and memories, It is not so.

Does not the poet, full of years that elay, Sing full as sweet, my sweeter, than the boy Dreaming of love and fame and greater things, Who ventures first to try his budding wings, Of fledgling song?

Think you the artist throws aside his brush As useless, or would ever think to bluish Of his life-work when he's old? That the great fire of his soul grows cold Through press of years?

Does not musician, when his youth has flown, Frame sweeter melodies in clearer tone, And weave with steeper hand and surer skill, The chords that all our hearts' deep longings thrill In nobler songs?

And even the sculptor old in art and fame Works with a keener insight, nobler aim, Draws from the chiseled stone more perfect grace Than any airy dream of form or face Of youthful days.

The notes we whisper now, in later years May grow to mighty songs, clay that so slight appears To enduring marble, and the lines We faintly trace may come in life's good time To living art.

Youth is not all, nor age, the wounded life, The best of any man comes through the strife A finished whole not cut in many parts. Life is a steady flame not fitful darts, Of flickering blue and red and white.

—Richard K. Lyon.

Written for the Sunday Journal.

A Rhyme of Little Girls.

Prithe tell me, don't you think, Little girls are dearest? With their cheeks of rumping pink, And their eyes the clearest? Don't you know that they are best And of all the loveliest?

Of all girls with roguish ways, They are surely truest, Sunshine gleams through all their days, They see skies the bluest, And they wear a diadem Summer has bestowed on them.

Lydia does not care a cent For the newest dainties, She is not on flirting bent, Has no killing glances, But without the slightest art She has captured many a heart.

Older sisters cut you dead, Little sisters never; They don't giggle when they're said Something very clever, They just get behind a chair, Prowling, smiling at you there.

Florence, Lydia, Margaret Or a gentle Mary, They form friendships that, once set, Never more can be torn away, Staunch young friends they are and true, Always clinging close to you.

Buds must open to blossoms blow, (Morn so early leaves us) Maid must meet a woman grow, (There's the thing that grieves us) Psyche knots of flying curls, That's good-bye to little girl!

—Meredith Nicholson.

Written for the Sunday Journal.

The setting sun burns low down the West, And fires the evening mist with lurid, burnished splendor; Repeat their psalms by sighing winds caressed, Repeat their orisons in accents soft and tender.

Row, gondolier, The stars appear, And thro' the folds of heaven sweetly glister; The water-nymphs are passing far and near, And to thy happy descent wait and listen.

Sing unto me the old-time, sweet refrains, And wake the sliver echoes sleeping 'mid the mountains; The songs of shepherds on the sunset plains, To sighing, love-lorn nudes beside the cork-tree fountains.

Sing, gondolier, Unclouded, clear, The burning moon thro' eastern palms is shining; And, o'er the wave, like Hope's serene career, Her track of splendor creeps, beyond the caring.

Afar upon the boundless plains of night, Thy low and plaintive song in softest echoes dying, Bring back the tale of my own lost delight, Amid cerulean yaws that ocean sweetly lying.

Cease, gondolier, The happy scenes of life thou dost awaken, The way of life is lonely o'er and drear To one who wanders there, alone, forsaken.

—Alonso L. Rice.

RAY'S CROSSING, IND.

Written for the Sunday Journal.

Sometimes, like burst of sunlight, There flashes over me Strange sense of shadows lifting From everything I see;

A throbbing sense of power, Till, for a little space, I seem to touch more truly All light and life and grace;

A something that seems bearing My soul in airy flight, And lifting it and drifting Into a bluer height.

But when in clearest cadence My weakened being sings, A sudden languor seizes, Seems sinking on its wings.

And I can only struggle To feel, to feel more true, So waiting till it pleases The light to break again.

Yet still my soul does whisper It shall not always feel That weary weight of weakness Upon its pinious steel.

Then surely it must happen I'll sing a sweeter song; And O, I pray its gladness Delay not overlong!

—Evalene Stein.

Quotable Lines from General Lew Wallace's

Play "Commodus."

Some watchful god may play take and show A way to triumph yet, and better hope.

An angry woman never won a man. Act I, Scene 1.

Gods, how the minutes stretch Themselves to lingering hours in plague of such As wait at great men's doors, and on their moods Expectant hang! Act II, Scene 1.

Do, give it thought, But cap the thinking with the instant deed. Act II, Scene 1.

Or labor white. I've picked the bone. Act II, Scene 1.

Then there is such a thing as love! Act II, Scene 2.

True love, as you will find, has gone to blue the sky and suit the sea. Act II, Scene 2.

Once I heard it said, does one Begin a lie, his tongue the truckling slave, The doors of hell with knavish ring for him; But does he worse—takes he a pen to write A lie that may live, why then of choice He sits already on a devil's bench.

And plies a trade to suit his company. Act III, Scene 1.

When out of folly good cannot be made, 'Tis very bad. Act III, Scene 1.

The Northman's hand is hard; not so his heart. Act III, Scene 2.

Be good and loving, slides near heaven's gate To let her husband in. Act IV, Scene 1.

Is a fool's death. The meed of a fool's tongue. Act IV, Scene 1.

So it is. With men. They will not learn that love is most A woman wants, and give her that, and change Is what she pr